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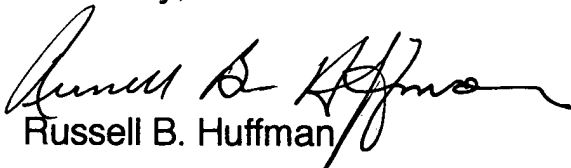
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Re: Application # 10/005,644  
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Dear Patent Examiners ;

Several months ago, ( 08/ 19/ 2004 ), the Patent Office again issued us correspondence indicating publication of our patent would occur during 10/28/ 04. Since that time there has been no further notice or correspondence. I ask you again, please look into the reality of this situation. We realize your work load must be huge. If we can be of help, please advise.

Sincerely,

  
Russell B. Huffman

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